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RE: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/135,180 filed August 17, 1998
Applicant: Yuzo OHTSURU; For: SOLID-STATE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE FOR PRODUCING THINNED IMAGE

Please see attached.

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In response to the final Office Action of March 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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